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'TIS A WISE CHILD, ETC.

Papa (of Calvinistic faith, has just heard that Mollie was at the theatre last evening): Good morning, Daughter of Satan.

Mollie: GOOD MORNING, FATHER.



"While there's Life there's Hope."

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X-SENATOR and ex-Presidential Candidate James G. Blaine, of Maine, has a wonderful power of dissimulation. When Citizen Blaine is called upon by the correspondent of a Republican newspaper, for instance, he is generally found in his gymnasium practising on the parallel bars, putting up his favorite 110-pound dumb-bell, or doing a glove bout with Dante's Mouse, the eminent Florentine slugger; and when the correspondent comes away full of admiration and protection statistics, the ex-statesman accompanies him to the railroad station, vaulting over a few fences on the way thither, and playfully lifting the end of a car off the track before the train moves away. But how differently does Citizen Blaine meet the representative of the Democratic journal! That correspondent usually arrives as the Plumed Knight is being carried from his bath to his bed, and is sent in haste for the nearest physician. When he is finally admitted to the great man's bedside, he finds him adding a codicil to his will, or eagerly perusing a tract; and Citizen Blaine refuses to talk about politics, but wonders if there will be any halos big enough to fit him in the hereafter, and if copies of the Fisher correspondence will be admitted in evidence on the Judgment Day.

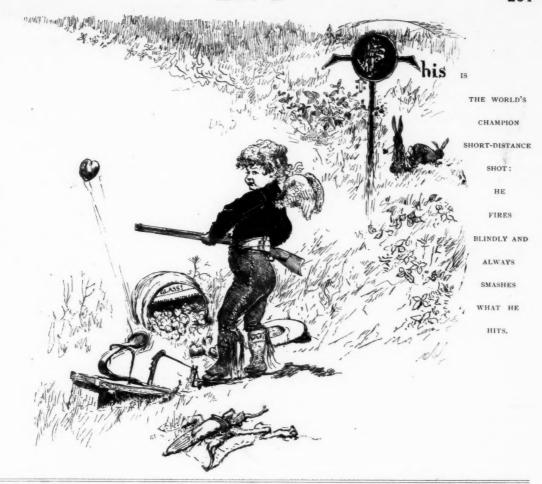
WHATEVER may be the actual condition of Citizen Blaine's health, however, his most ardent admirers pay him the high compliment of setting him down as a liar. They refuse to believe that he meant what he said in his positive, unqualified and reiterated letter of withdrawal from the presidential contest, but argue that that was only his graceful method of announcing a desire for the nomination. If Mr. Blaine really does intend to run against Cleveland again, he may regret that he failed to wind up that same letter to Chairman Jones as he did the fatal missive to Fisher, years before, "Burn this letter."

THE Chicago Anarchists celebrate the second anniversary of the Haymarket massacre by a petition to

Governor Oglesby for the pardon of Fielden, Schwab and Neebe, the three of the infamous eight who were saved from the gallows to undergo imprisonment for life. There need be little fear that Governor Oglesby will grant these pardons, but the citizens of the United States may well congratulate themselves, now that two years have gone by since the great shock that roused the country to a sense of danger, that the resolute and determined manner in which the issue was met has stamped out that danger. One of the surest indications of waning interest in anarchism is the suspension of the Chicago Alarm, which uttered a final gasp on the 27th of last month, singularly enough the second anniversary of the publication in its columns of the call to arms that resulted in the dreadful tragedy at the Haymarket, on the 4th of May.

DERHAPS no appointment by a President of the United States, at a political crisis, of a citizen to high office, has ever been received with so much favor throughout the country as that of Melville W. Fuller, of Chicago, to the chief-justiceship of the Supreme Court of the nation. The independent and the Democratic press are loud in his praises, and even the highest-keyed Republican organs admit that he has never committed a burglary or been guilty of arson. The Mail and Express, to be sure, considers that he will not look well in the ermine, since he is a small man, weighing but one hundred and twenty-five pounds; but even that journal is willing to admit that his stature is not a fatal objection, Brother Shepard being of opinion that if the Chief-Justice be allowed to sit on a Bible, it will bring his head up to a level with those of his associates, and likewise be an unconscious inspiration to the furtherance of justice. President Cleveland has made a wise selection in truth, and LIFE trusts that, when he steps down from the chief executive's chair in 1893, Justice Fuller's career of usefulness on the bench will be only beginning.

I T appears that the Hon. Edward Jones-Phelps, American Minister to the Court of St. James, was called back to this country by Secretary Bayard to lobby the extradition treaty through the Senate. This is not a particularly dignified occupation for so highly-gifted a courtier, and it is almost cruel to ask him to accept it. The refined nature of Mr. Jones-Phelps must certainly revolt at the coarseness of our barbarian law-makers when he compares their uncouth manners with the aristocratic and polished methods of his noble associates across the water. More than this, the effect upon the American Senator, when Mr. Jones-Phelps orders brandy and soda in place of straight whisky, is calculated to alienate them from any cause he may advocate.



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FANNIE (LOQUITOR).

MPATIENT boy! He could not wait!
So anxious he to learn his fate,
That he must send a carrier-dove
Laden with messages of love.
I told him last night, at the ball,
I could not say, but just to call
This evening about half-past eight—
But here, you see, he could not wait.

(READS.)

"Dear Fannie,—I just write to say, A letter from my fiancée Calls me to town by half-past eight— And so, you see, I could not wait."

M. W. C.

THE latest bit of political gossip is to the effect that Belva Lockwood has given up wearing the prevailing style of tournure. If elected President, she proposes to take her seat.

W HEN thieves fall out, the earnestness with which honest men fight for the spoils is wonderful.



HOLMONDELEY: Wonder why the editor clipped the margin off this joke of mine?
HIGGINS: Hint that it was old enough to be shaved, perhaps.

### WILLING TO SELL.

"

HAT is a dangerous looking dog you have there,
Deacon. Aren't you afraid he will injure somebody?"

"Well, yes," replied the deacon, uneasily. "I haven't much confidence in the animal. If you hear of anybody who wants a good dog, let me know, and I'll sell him chean."



### THE REAL FACTS.

I N the Spring the bills for raiment
Oft excite the parent's ire,
Because—
In the Spring a maiden's fancy
Lightly turns to her attire.

THE Concord School of Philosophy has decided not to hold a meeting this year, and the general rejoicing throughout New England is so marked that prohibitionists are feeling discouraged.

W E think the anti-climax of events at the Star Theatre should prove of interest to scientists. Irving gave place to O'Connor, and since then the Monkeys have held the interest of the public. May we not find here the missing link between the man and the monkey?

Cottage on Sixth Avenue. During the dinner, a discussion arose, in the course of which the diners aspersed each other's parents and grandparents, and cast doubts upon one another's legal competency to inherit property in the line of paternal succession, finally going out on the sidewalk to settle the matter. There was a convenient pile of bricks in the street, and Mr. Train seized one of these and hurled it at Mr. Leary, striking him on the back of the head and fracturing his skull. To the coroner's jury, Mr. Train explained that he threw the brick at Mr. Leary by way of a joke, and his twelve peers decided that though his humor was a trifle exuberant, it ought not to be punished, and discharged him. There is a certain romantic justice in the circumstance that the murder of this ruffianly thief, who betrayed his companions in crime, and earned immunity from prison by the foulest treachery, should go unavenged; but it is not a credit to the City of New York.







SPECIMENS OF THE HANOVERIAN RAT, SAID TO HAVE GONE OVER TO ENGLAND WITH THE GUELPHS, AND TO HAVE OVERPOWERED AND DRIVEN OUT THE NATIVE RODENT.

THE Cousin of the Administration, Mr. Ben Folsom, of Buffalo, Consul Particular and Extraordinary to Sheffield, England, has returned to his native country, and will soon make New York a visit. Let the bale fires be kindled and the triumphant tocsin sounded! Let the brass band polish its instruments and the freedom of the city be made ready in a box! Let the young men gather bays and the young women weave them into garlands! And, likewise, let the last will and testament of the fatted calf be drawn up and the material for the thistle salad prepared!

CROWNER'S 'QUEST LAW has been remarkable ever since the time of Falstaff, but it remained for a New York coroner's jury to see pleasantry in a murder. Mr. Wm. Train, a sporting gent, dined, a few Sundays ago, with Mr. Red Leary, the eminent bank burglar, at the Knickerbocker

THE number of electric wires that are putting men under the ground is greater than the number of men who are putting electric wires under ground.

CAPITAL has been ground down under the iron heel of labor again. Jerry de Lille's canal-boat was lying at a dock in Yonkers, last summer, when Jay Gould's yacht swept by at the rate of about fourteen miles an hour, creating a swash that jammed the canal-boat against the pier, and damaged her ribs. The rapacious canal-boatman pursued the unfortunate Mr. Gould with unrelenting and savage malignity; and last week a judge of the United States District Court, undoubtedly purchased by De Lille, forced Gould to give up forty hard-earned dollars. What tyranny is this that the speed of a millionaire's yacht should be lowered to preserve the ribs of a canal-boat!



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A FAILURE.

. Mr. Harry Walnut (is anxious to drive away his rival, but has forgotten the name of his charmer): As I was saving, Miss-er-er (then with great presence of mind and in his happiest manner)-WELL, LET US SAY JONES, FOR SHORT.

She (somewhat ruffed): YES, THAT IS MY NAME.

NOT THE KIND OF BIRD HE WAS





"WELL, MY LITTLE BOY, WHAT MAY YOU WANT?"

### A LASTING GIFT.

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m ROWN:}$  Fred, dine with us to-

FRED (who dined with the Browns once): Can't, really, old man. Truth is, I've lost my only relation in the world.

BROWN: Apologizes, and exit.

NEXT DAY,

BROWN: By the way, Fred, how long ago did your relative die?

FRED: Fifteen years, or thereabouts.

### OUT OF DANGER.

"  $H^{\mathrm{OW}}$  is your husband feeling this morning, Mrs. Bentley?"

"Oh, Doctor, I don't know. He swore at me, and threw a teaspoon at the baby because it cried."

"Ah, favorable symptoms! He is getting better."

IF the Atlantic cables don't feel relieved at Sullivan's return, and their consequent happy escape from a daily current of twaddle and nonsense, their intelligence is not to be trusted.

### SPORT AND EDUCATION.

"For the offices, to be sure. It is the offices that we want!"

Mr. Flannigan's words may not be proclaimed about the college-yard in Cambridge, but the spirit of them must abound among the Harvard undergraduates as they contemplate the recent recommendation of a committee of their board of overseers.

"Abolish intercollegiate contests?" some football or baseball Flannigan may exclaim; "Why, intercollegiate contests are what we are here for!"

Of course, it is the prevalence of such a notion as this of the aims of undergraduate existence that has prompted the chosen wise men among the overseers to make the tremendous proposition which they have fathered. A great college, nowadays, with neither fall football matches in New York, boat-races at New London, nor baseball contests in at least five States, seems much like the play of "Hamlet" with nothing left in but the grave-diggers. But such a college it is proposed that Harvard shall become.

W ITHOUT going quite to the length that the committee of the Harvard overseers recommends, LIFE is bound to say that they have moved in the right direction. Intercollegiate sports have been overdone. During the past five years the tail has been wagging the dog, and inasmuch as the tail keeps growing, and the dog seems to dwindle, there is nothing for it that we can see except to amputate more or less of the appendage. The committee, with one exception, were for drawing the line close to the animal. Mr. Walcott alone reported in favor of leaving a stub in the shape of a limited number of contests with Yale.

Mr. Walcott's notion seems to us to be about right. The annual Yale-Harvard race, and a Yale-Harvard ball game or two, are not without their uses in keeping up a wholesome interest in athletics; but LIFE is just old granny enough to believe that to turn Yale and Harvard colleges loose in New York in term time does not subserve the true interests of the undergraduates of those institutions. For one thing, the recurring outings for which the spring and fall contests give an excuse, are a constant temptation to the rich, and a constant disappointment to the poor. We are tired—very tired—of seeing the great New England colleges represented by groups of rich men's sons on coaches, by prayerful pitchers, or by aquatic jockeys. It will do no harm to let muscle and money sit a little back for a time, and give modest merit room to speak its piece.

I T is said that the interdiction which is contemplated will cost Harvard very many names from her catalogue.

We hope it may. The quicker some other institution passes her in the favor of the fool-fashionables and the brawn-worshippers, the better pleased will be such of her sons as deem it the true function of a university not so much to break records as to turn out scholars who are gentlemen, and gentlemen who are scholars.

### MURDER IN HIS HEART.

S MYTHE (giving Van Jones a cigar from his private box): Have a cigar, Van Jones?

VAN JONES: Thanks.

Smythe: Have you seen the item going about to the effect that no man ever committed murder while smoking?

VAN JONES: Yes, I've (puff) seen it. Still, Smythe, he (puff) feels like it, sometimes.



Mary: F-E-R-M-E-N-T, FERMENT-TO WORK. Mamma: Now, PLACE IT IN A SENTENCE TO SHOW ME YOU REALLY UNDERSTAND IT. Mary: IN SUMMER, I LOVE TO FERMENT IN THE GARDEN.

### THE CIGAR.

(AFTER DINNER.)

OW every man is monarch o'er a kingdom of his own, Each guest a royal prince is, and every seat a throne; Life's cares so quickly vanish, dissent and rancors cease-Our brows adorned with crowns of smoke, we reign in perfect peace. Edgar A. P. Newcomb.

### CHARACTER IN HANDWRITING.

HO is this J. Watson Albans, Mr. Greenedge? He asks for a consignment upon thirty days' credit."

"Never heard of him, Mr. Magnate, but he can't amount to much. His signature at the end of his letter is too legible for a man of any importance."

### PROTECTING THE MEMBERS.

ITIZEN (to saloon-keeper): What's the idea in not granting licenses to saloons within two hundred feet of a church?

SALOON-KEEPER: I s'pose it's to give some of the members a safer chance.

HEAR young Fastleigh has been painting the town red since his uncle left him a quarter of a million."

"Why, anybody could paint the town red with a quart of vermilion."

### A NEW DISH.

"WHAT are those?" asked a man at a St. Louis restaurant, pointing to

"Fried soles," replied the waiter. "Have one?"

"Let me have a heel first, and if I don't like it, there won't be so much to throw away."





### WITH THE SIMIANS.

A VISIT to the theatre is among the more recent of the delicate attentions paid by the debonair Mr. Timothy Crowley, of Central Park, to his charming fiance, Miss Kitty O'Brien. With that regard to the appropriate which is one of Mr. Crowley's noblest traits, he chose the monkey performance at the Star Theatre for the amusement of his lovely bride-elect.

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EVER was a performance watched with greater interest. Mr. Crowley also administered a stinging rebuke to those who think themselves farther advanced in the Darwinian scale of development—but who have, in fact, only reached the dude stage—by not once leaving Miss Kitty to go clove-chasing.

"I think you will give me credit, my dear Kitty," said Mr. Crowley, as he absent-mindedly removed an annoying insect from his fair companion's left shoulder, "of really possessing better table manners than these monkeys over whose banquet scene people are making such a fuss. It is not to be wondered at, perhaps, as I am told that they received their edu-

cation in Germany, and we all know that German table manners are notoriously bad. I shall never cease to be grateful that you were sent to America to receive your education."

"Of course they can't compare with yours, dear Tim," said Miss Kitty, "but they are wonderfully better than those of some monkeys we know."

"Yes, and of some humans, too," added Mr. Crowley.

Here he became very much absorbed in the stage performance, and the conversation ended. He was much pleased with it and considered it, as a whole, better than anything of the kind he had ever seen in Africa. As a result he is very proud of his compatriots although he was suspicious that one of them was trying to develop a flirtation with Miss O'Brien.

It is stated on good authority that Mr. Crowley and Miss O'Brien will call on the foreigners one day this week and thus fix the social position of the strangers in America. This sets at rest, once for all, the rumor that the artists were to be given the cold-shoulder by the social leaders of monkeydom and thereby forced into the organ-grinder set.

Metcalfe.

THE phenomenal cast of "Hamlet" for Mr. Wallack's benefit needs only Mr. J. Owen O'Connor to make it complete. His recent audiences found him "a fellow of infinite jest," so he might appropriately be cast for Yorick's skull.



SPRING LAMB WITH MINT SAUCE.

### AN INDICATION OF GOOD TASTE.

GACK, can it be that you are going to marry Miss Equilateral?"

"Yes, Tom, and if you say anything to disparage her—
"Disparage her! Why, she proposed to me, too, last

leap year!"

A DMIRER OF BUDDING GENIUS: Don't you think there is a great deal of what Matthew Arnold calls "sweetness and light" about Miss de Blank?

SCEPTIC: Yes, indeed. Miss de Blank is very sweet and her work is tremendously light.

### A NEW THEORY OF GRAVITATION.

A SMALL BOY was discovered playing ball one day, and on being asked what he was doing, replied: "I'm playin' ball with Dod. I frow the ball up and Dod frows it back."

### THE OYSTER.

SOME CRITICAL NOTES UPON AN ARTICLE IN THE ENCYCLOPÆDIA BRITANNICA.

THE article referred to opens with the statement that "The oyster is a genus of Lamelli-branch Mollusks belonging to the third order Monomya, the valves of its shell being closed by a single large adductor muscle.—The degeneration produced by sedentary habits has in the oyster reached its most advanced stage."

The oyster is a survival of the remotest past, and the result of certain bad habits upon his original happy condition is so coldy recorded by the British writer that the interests of the public require a fuller statement.

These relics of ancient life were once regarded as the only visible remains of certain picnic parties, organized by primeval man during his summer vacations; but modern science has discovered indications that these oysters may have walked up the mountains.

It is certain that the oyster adopted clothing long before man had found it necessary or desirable to do so. This fact indicates either a greater delicacy of feeling or a quicker susceptibility to cold. As buttons were not then known, he held that clothing about him by the left hand, which constant use for this purpose enormously developed, and finally attached to the clothing itself.

Several other results followed with scientific precision. The dust of ages began to settle over his outer garments, and in time those garments grew heavy. The biceps of the left arm gradually turned into cartilage, but notwithstanding its increased power, his clothing became more osseous, and with still greater force it weighed him down, until at last he could run or walk no more, his right arm shriveled away, he set his lips in grim endurance, and laid down the weary remnants of his former activity upon the shore, and watched the sad sea ebb and flow about him. He tried to grow young and agile again by bathing. He let the waves roll over him until their hollow booming made him deaf and the salt congealed about his motionless form, and fixed him forever to his ignoble environment.

Such has been his history, a lesson to all who may rightly read it



Ethel (weeping); I am so disappointed in him. I am sure he, was tipsy last night—he threatened to kiss me!

May: Well, there's no knowing what men won't do when they're drunk!

that undue care for one's clothing and personal adornment leads to sedentary habits, and that such habits destroy the powers and cause the flaccid and watery inner life to be encased by the shell of prejudice and conventionality, while the strongest vital force goes to the growth of that adductor muscle which connects the soul with its exterior shell.



"PITY A POOR PARALYTIC, SIR, WITH-"



"LOOK HERE, YOUNG FELLER, THAT'S A LEAD ONE!"

### VOLAPIIK.

HIS new universal lingo, That at present's raising jingo-So to speak:

Say, do people pet or maul it. When they twist their lips and call it, " Volapük?"

There's a certain set who've hinted, (And they know most all that's printed In a book)

That they've taken time to weigh it, And 'tis proper thus to say it: " Volapük."

And some other word-proud mortals, Who don't let their talking portals, Run amuck;

Say that those who're with the inner Circle always name the winner " Volapük."

There's another set as formal, And orthoepy so abnormal, They rebuke; But if Stormonth would announce it, They would forthwith all pronounce it " Volapük."



Mistress: JANE, WILLIE INFORMS ME THAT MY HUSBAND KISSED YOU YESTERDAY. Jane: OH! THAT'S ALL RIGHT MA'M-I'VE GOT USED TO IT NOW.

### NOT SINCE.

Scene: Foreign music shop on Union Square.

ASHIONABLE LADY (to German clerk): Has Schubert written any new songs lately?

CLERK: No, Madam, not since he died.

### ACCUSTOMED TO IT.

TRANGER (to fellow passenger): From the West, sir? PASSENGER: Yes, Oshkosh.

STRANGER: I'm from Kalamazoo, myself.

PASSENGER: That so! Kalamazoo is a funny name for

STRANGER: Yes, I s'pose it does sound funny to a man from Oshkosh; but we Kalamazoo people are used to it."

### THE FLIGHT OF TIME.

STRANGER: Excuse me, young man, but is your watch going?

YOUNG MAN (feelingly): No, sir; it's gone!

H OW astonished some dead men would be if they could get out of the grave long enough to read their epitaphs.

UIDA says that smoking is "silly." She may be right. If anybody can give official information on silliness Ouida can.

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W. J. Duggett.

A PEACEFUL NATURE.

"WHY, JIM! WHAT DID YOU SHOOT THAT MAN FOR?" "TO AVOID TROUBLE, I KNEW WE'D BE A QUARRELIN' IF WE KEP' ON, AND I HATE A ROW."



A PARAPHRASE.

A RE women angels? Yes, we say, They are undoubtedly; but that's No reason why they at the play Should wear their wings upon their hats.

Boston Courier.

Two old British sailors were talking over their shore experience. One had been to a cathedral and had heard some very fine music, and was descanting particularly upon an anthem which gave him much pleasure. His shipmate listened for a while, and then said:

"I say, Bill, what's a hanthem?"
"What," replied Bill, "do you mean to say you don't know what a hanthem is?"

"Well, then, I'll tell yer. If I was to tell yer, 'Ere, Bill, give me that 'andspike,' that wouldn't be a hanthem; but was I to say, Bill, giv, giv, give me, give me that, Bill, give me, give me that hand, handspike, hand, handspike, spike, spike, spike, ah-men, ahmen. Bill, givemethathandspike, spike, ahmen!' why, that would be a hanthem."—Boston Home Journal.

THE person who blew up a Halifax photograph gallery with dynamite was probably an old maid who was told that the pictures she'd had taken looked just like her.—Omaha World.

A young man wants to know how he can get into the best New

York society.

He will have to stand on the line and wait for some of the noble 400 to die off .- Epoch.

Not long ago in Paris, in a company where they were discussing plays and playwriters, M. Dumas said: "What a lucky fellow M. Pailleron is! He has two of his pieces going on at the same time and at the same theatre." "How so?" "Why, "La Souris' is acted on the stage and "Le monde ou l'on s'ennuie' in the audience!"

STRANGER (to Indiana farmer): It's a great pity that the crops through this section have been so badly damaged by rain.

INDIANA FARMER (taking a sun bath): Wall, ya'as, mister, but it saves a durned sight o' work harvestin'.—N. Y. Sun.

HAROLD: I love you, Mabel. Will you be—er—my sister?
MABEL (absently): That can never be, Harold; but I will always be a wife to you.

The engagement is announced .- Harvard Lampoon.

THE poor man is happy in the knowledge that the ambitious young men do not make his life miserable by trying to borrow a thousand or two to get a start in life.—N. Y. Graphic,

THE Chicago Tribune prints a composite picture of twenty-five girls in the senior class of Michigan University. We are glad that no We are glad that no one American maiden is quite so homely.—Buffalo Express.

JAY GOULD's advice to boys is "keep out of bad company and go to work with a will." And if you can't keep out of bad company, boys, do as Jay does and wipe out the company .- Countryside.



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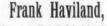
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